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MATT. 28:19.

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MARK 16:15

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## *The Heart of The Eternal*

There's a wideness in God's mercy  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in His justice,  
Which is more than liberty.

For the love of God is broader  
Than the measures of man's mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple,  
We should take Him at His word,  
And our lives would be all sunshine  
In the sweetness of our Lord.—Sel.

THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20

1 TIM. 3:15

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S. W. Latimer, General Overseer

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Cleaning and Scouring Powder, Kirkman Soap Powder, Kirkman Softening Powder; Borden's Standard Brand Milk, Borden's Star Milk, Borden's Pearl Milk, Borden's Challenge Milk, Borden's Darling Milk, Borden's Leader Milk, Borden's Peninsular Milk, Borden's Magnolia Milk.

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## The Whole Armour of God

**W**HEREFORE take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore," Eph. 6:13, 14.

### THE NECESSITY

1. In verse eleven the apostle pictures the church in conflict against Satan. He desires it to be victorious in conquest, therefore, he points out the warrior's armour or equipment. The scene will yield to a simple analysis, as when an army enters into conflict with an opposing army there is most assuredly an equipment necessitated. The victory depends as much on the equipment and preparation for a contending struggle as it does on the skill of the warrior. Regardless of how well trained a minister may be, he can never be victorious unless equipped with the armour of God. Satan, who has spoiled thrones and dominions and led them astray from God, is by no means a novice or a weakling. There is no way to oppose him except clothed with the power and equipment of the Holy Ghost. The purpose is to be able to "stand against the wiles of the devil." Wiles is translated from the Greek word "methodeas," which means the same as our English word "methods." He is not uncertainly opposing the church; he is well organized in tactics and power. He does not concede the victory to you simply because you have been baptized with the Holy Ghost; he will test every inch of your position and ground in question. He followed Jesus into the wilderness for conflict; he followed Him back to the city and tried to overcome Him, and when beaten in his effort he ever sought to destroy Him by physical death. He enters upon your territory unawares while you are neglecting prayer or joking and having a good time, as you call it; then when you go to preach or pray you feel that your power is shorn by the devil, your armour is gone.

### CONFLICT DEFINED

In verse twelve the apostle defines the bounds and objects of the believer's contending foes, saying, "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high

By E. C. CLARK, Editor

places." The opposition we have through men and those who oppose us is not merely from "flesh and blood;" it is from the satanic powers that control the flesh. The Apostle Paul mentions some such conflict when he says, "If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus." He had here no doubt contended for the truth of the resurrection and to set those that were in error right, wrestling in prayer and a "battle of words" as with beasts. The wild, opposing, stubborn, devilish nature of men is here pictured as fallen to opposing beasts.

### PRINCIPALITIES

From the Greek "archas," meaning the first rank in power. The definite article shows it to be plural. Its meaning is the first rank of ruling powers, which was under Lucifer before he fell. After his fall he has continued to lead those he deceived in war against God, holding whatever of his original kingdom possible. These powers are lodged in the heavens and hold back the prayers of the saints. Cheesecloth prayers, rose colored, two or three minute prayers, "me and my wife, my son John, and his wife, us four and no more" prayers do not pierce these principalities. That is why your prayer goes unanswered—you are not willing to "wrestle." "Wrestle" comes from the Greek word "pallo," meaning to wrestle, to wield, to sway, whirl, swing, to toss with the arms; a contest, struggle. It pictures an actual wrestling, a hard struggle. But many, instead of being willing to go around and around with the devil in a struggle for victory, surrender and say, "I can't pray."

### POWERS

From the Greek "eksouseas," likewise plural and means proper authority. Authorities commissioned under Satan are here in view. We not only have to wrestle against the first rank, but against "authorities" as distributed in connection with other reigning agencies. "Against the rulers of the darkness of this world." These principalities and powers are these that dominate the "rulers of this world of darkness;" they derive their power and authority from the devil, and oppose righteousness generally. Daniel says in Dan. 10:13, "The Prince

of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days." What! the Prince of Persia resisting Daniel's prayer? Not the personal king, but the reigning demon that was controlling and shaping the kingdom of Persia was trying to hinder Daniel's prayers from entering the ear of God. He succeeds for twenty-one days, until Michael came unto his deliverance. Only fasting and wrestling in prayers will bring the answer from God over the top of such hinderances.

### SPIRITUAL WICKEDNESS IN HIGH PLACES

Literally the "spirits of wickedness in the heavens," that is, the spirits that work wickedness who left off to follow God, who are now cast out from the immediate presence of God, but lodged in the heavens between God and His creation. These oppose the prayers and efforts of God's saints, and the only way to get victory is sometime "an all night prayer," fasting and prayer, etc. Oh, some of you thought it was all joy and just to shout, and you fussed and criticized the preacher and your brother and sister when the shout was absent, you threatened to not go back anymore and you wouldn't do this and you wouldn't do that, but the only remedy is to wrestle. You are as much to blame as any one else when the service is hard. Many preachers sit out on their front porch and pass idly the time, when they should be in their "secret chamber."

### WHOLE ARMOUR

There is so much rich ground here that I reluctantly pass from one word to another, but I must hasten on. Armour comes from the Greek "panoplian," compounded from "pan" meaning all, and "hoplon" meaning a tool, an implement; of a ship, its tackles, cordage, cables, etc.; of war, all implements necessary for warfare. But here, of a saint of God, what does it mean? It means the equipment and all that is necessary to make the saint of God victorious in his conflict; that he may have at hand his implements or tools, such things as he needs for his Christian work. It commands the man or the woman that is in defeat at the hands of the devil, to go to God and put on equipment for his "wrestling with the devil" for his success (Continued on page 15)



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### ANNOUNCEMENT

In the issue of the last Evangel I announced that beginning with the next issue I would start a series of lectures on "Dispensational Truth." I regret to advise that owing to the vast amount of work required in compiling Teachers Sunday School Quarterlies I will not be able to start this work now as I expected. I will try to get to it later.

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R. G. Looney, Columbia, S. C. scores a

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Dr. W. Sinclair Bowen, prominent Washington, D. C., physician, is quoted in the "Evening Star" in November as follows: "Sixty per cent of children of women who smoke excessively are either born dead or die in their first year."

Another physician, one of the leading Washington obstetricians if not the most eminent local specialist in this branch of medical practice, invariably refuses to take charge of any confinement case where the prospective mother is a cigarette addict.—The Methodist Herald.

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### LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

These pieces were carried away by one of the committeemen and have just been returned, but in order that our people may understand how the officials of the City of Cleveland feel and appreciate the Assembly, we print them even at this late date.

"To the members of the 27th General Assembly of the Church of God:

"As Mayor of the City and in behalf of its citizenship, I want to extend to you a hearty welcome. Cleveland feels honored and proud indeed to be the host to this organization, for we are not unmindful of the splendid work that the Church of God has done in Cleveland, and I feel that Cleveland will be a better place in which to live and transact business for having had a church meeting of this character within its gates.

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By W. B. Davis

**P**URE RELIGION and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27.

"Keeping himself unspotted from the world." We notice in the Word of God that we are to come out from the world and to be a separate people. We should not partake of worldly amusements or worldly habits such as going to the movies or any other show, swimming pools, dance halls, ball games, golf or any other world'y games such as checkers, dominoes, card playing, or reading worldly literature, novels. God pronounces a blessing on the one who walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners. We are compromising with the world and getting in their way when we participate in such worldly amusements.

We are living in a day when the apostle Paul in 1 Tim. 4:1 tells us that, "Now the spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils." The word "seduce," Webster tells us, means to entice from the paths of rectitude, duty or virtue, and it is an evident fact that we are departing when we partake of worldliness. I wish to call your attention to the word "rectitude," which means rightness of principles and practices, honesty. Why should we not practice right living? It is evidently the love of the world that has crept into our hearts and the Word tells us that if any man loves the world the love of the Father is not in him. Pure religion and worldliness do not mix. We cannot serve two masters. The Word of God tells us to let our light shine as a city on a hill that others might see our good works and be constrained. Do you think we can live in worldliness all day and then win souls for the Lord at night?

It has become very common to see women, supposed to be Church of God, with sleeveless dresses on, without hose, with naked and bare limbs exposed to the opposite sex, when the Word of God tells us to adorn in modest apparel. This isn't setting a godly example before your children and if we dress them this way we are failing to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord and we cannot wonder why our children aren't becoming Christians. Set the example before them, teach them the right way and it will have its effect as the Word of God tells us. "His word that goeth forth shall not return void." Tell them what the Word of God tells us about these things—painted lips and faces, long finger nails, etc. The Word tells us that He will beautify the meek with salvation. There isn't anything more beautiful than one whom the Spirit of God is upon, and the Spirit of God will satisfy and give rest. Jesus told the Samaritan woman that the water

He would give her would be in her "a well of water springing up unto salvation." When we have the Spirit, it satisfies and we do not care about worldliness. Prove all things and hold fast to that which is good. Is the spirit of worldliness better than the Spirit of the Lord? Do you feel as good as you did when you had the victory, danced, shouted and talked in tongues. If not, separate yourselves from the world. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you. Why not examine ourselves to see whether we be in the faith, and examine by what the Word of God says.

You speak to some and they will tell you that there isn't any harm in such, but this comes under the works of the flesh, reveling, plaiting the hair, having permanent and marcelle waves, wearing of gold, beads, finger rings, gold bracelets, stick pins and a double breasted watch chain. We might say, This chain is necessary. The Word of God tells us about the wearing of gold, and this chain has not looked right to me since I had to unload. Some one will say, Oh, that was an impression. I am glad to get the impression that brings God's Word to our minds and not worldliness. If we would get in our closets and pray till we prayed thru and get a revelation from Heaven, we would not wait till some one told us to unload. The Holy Ghost is to lead us into all truth and to bring all things to our memory that He spoke unto us, and Jesus told us if we love Him we would keep His commandments, and we will.

In the railroad shops we have a sign with the words "Safety first. Watch your step." This would be a good motto in every Church of God building. We should watch and pray. Don't go anywhere or do anything or say anything that you would not want Him to catch you in should He come. We are not to let any corrupt communication proceed out of our mouths. Smutty, vulgar talking should be put away for Jesus tells us that out of the heart the mouth speaketh. If He is there, we talk right. Paul tells us in Eph. 4:1 to walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called.

Vocation—occupation, living a Christ-like life. He is our example. He is the way, the truth and life. He tells us He is the vine and we are the branches and every branch that bringeth not forth good fruit he taketh it away. We cannot expect to bring good fruit if we do not do the things He tells us to do.

Jesus' prayer to the Father, St. John 17:16, "They are not of the world even as I am not of the world." This was before the disciples were sanctified and how can we indulge in worldliness and then claim the blessing of sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost? Does not Paul in 1 Thess. 5:22, 23 tell us to abstain from all the appearance of evil, and the very God of peace sanctify you holy? Evidently there is something wrong with our experience for we know the Word of God is right. I have been pray-

ing for sometime and I feel this to be a message from the Lord to the Church of God. Isa. 58:1 tells us to lift up our voice like a trumpet and shew the people their transgressions and the house of Jacob their sins. We tell our children, as they become young men and women, to play ball or golf for a while for bodily exercise. The Word of God tells us that bodily exercise profiteth but little. If you want your children to have bodily exercise, get them to pray thru and get the Holy Ghost and they will have all the bodily exercise they need. And if it is real, it will abide for ever, He will manifest Himself, and we can shout and dance and talk in tongues all along and feel like David when he said he felt like running thru troops and leaping over walls. We will not need the ungodly exercise. But there is a spirit in saved people today to want to be like the world in fashion, but God's Word tells us to be unspotted from the world. We preach against tobacco and snuff but are afraid Sister Mary or Sister Sue maybe will get wrong if we tell them about short and sleeveless dresses with low necks, and no hose. I had just as soon they would dip snuff because this is worldliness and in a worse form.

When we pastors go thru the prophets' gates and lift up a standard for the people, we will see signs and wonderful miracles performed and the places where we are assembled will be shaken with the power of God, instead of dry and formal services. How I long to see a halt called by our good ministers and all speak the same thing and unity prevail in His Church. Let's quit you like men and be strong. Notice Judges 16:20, "And Samson awoke out of his sleep and said, I will go out as at other times before and shake myself, and he wist not that the Lord had departed from him." What caused the Lord's departure? Taking up with the wrong. Be careful or something will get your strength. We should stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free and be not again entangled with the yoke of bondage. May the Lord bless this to the hearts of the readers is my prayer.

## THE WAY GROWS MORE PRECIOUS

HOLLYWOOD, Ga.—Dear brothers and sisters, I'm glad this morning that I can report victory over sin and the devil. I'm still saved, sanctified and baptized with the sweet Holy Ghost. I've been in this way about five months but I find it grows sweeter to me each day.

We had Brother J. N. Ledford with us for a week's meeting. We had a wonderful time. Three were filled with the Holy Ghost and two reclaimed. The saints at Hollywood surely are on fire for God for which we thank the Lord. Sometimes we had up to fifteen at the altar. I want all the Evangel readers to pray for the work at Hollywood.—Your brother in Christ, H. C. Stancil, clerk.

## ◆ In Foreign Fields ◆

GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD

### Do Not Forget The Mission Work

**M**ISSIONS is the subject in which many of us are not as interested as we should be. As the Lord has put it on my mind to write for the Evangel, I must write.

In 2 Peter 3:1 Peter said, "I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance." As I haven't heard much preaching of late on Missions, I feel that our ministers would do well to stir up our minds more on Missions. Jesus said to the disciples, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15. We will all agree that Jesus meant for them to go. Paul says, "How shall they preach except they be sent?" Rom. 10:15. The scripture is very plain that if we do not go, we must help send those that do go and it is our duty as Christians to support them, not only with our means, but with our encouragement and prayers. I feel sure if we pray as we should for those who are called to carry the Gospel to foreign lands, the same Spirit that led them to go will lead us to support them. Failing to do this is a sin of omission. Paul says, "Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us," Heb. 12:1. The sin that doth so easily beset us today is the sin of omission—failing to support the Mission cause.

When we spend money for foolish and unnecessary things remember that some missionary in a far away land may be praying for help. We will have to give an account unto God for the way we spend our money. Some one may say, "We have so much responsibility at home that we cannot help in the mission cause." Of course God does not expect or require more than we can do. Jacob was troubled one time and very fearful and he prayed. We find in Gen. 35:1-2, "And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother. Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him; Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean, and change your garments." They obeyed and Jacob buried the strange gods and they went back to Bethel.

Anything that will hinder us in serving the true God could be called a strange god. Foolish things for which we spend money that should go to support the Gospel certainly would be called strange gods. Let us not forget our missionaries, but leave off every foolish thing (strange

gods) that may take our money and hinder the cause of Christ so we may journey on and we are sure of the blessings of the Lord.—A brother in Christ, Thad Puckett, Rt. 2, Calhoun, Ga.

### Missions

T. P. Douglas, Key West, Fla.

Prov. 29:18

**W**HERE there is no vision, the people perish." Truly, my heart is stirred within me as I consider the lack of missionary spirit among our people at this time. I have just finished reading the mission column in the Dec. 10th issue of the Evangel, and I wonder what we will tell the Lord of the harvest; what excuse will we render to the great Shepherd of the sheep for all the precious souls who are being lost because we have lost the "wisdom."

Think of an old lady like Grandma Chick, sacrificing her life in the bleak winters of the far north, sleeping on a straw mattress (as I am informed that they do or have done) and she, with her daughter and family living on potatoes and salt for three weeks at a time, while we glut our lustful appetites and say we are too poor to give to missions. Truly we have lost the vision of the needs of this sin-sick, judgment-bound world and those who are giving their lives to do what they can.

You say we are too poor. I deny such a statement, and sight you to the Bible. Look to Gal. 4:6, 7, He says we are sons, and if sons then heirs of God through Christ. Again, look to Rom. 8:32. "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things"? Is God poor? Has He suddenly gone bankrupt? Does He not tell us in Psalm 50, that every beast of the forest is His, and the cattle upon a thousand hills?

Israel suffered, toiled and cried until their cry reached heaven and the Lord said, "I have seen, I have seen the affliction of my people which is in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into Egypt." These words recorded in Acts 7:34 were spoken to Moses, and he immediately caught the vision and away to Egypt he went and rested not until he had landed that great body of people safely at the entrance of Canaan.

As I sit here in my little corner which I call my study, pecking out this message, I look out of my window to the west and I see the sky is clear and beautiful, the sun is shining in all his strength, and I can see for miles and miles out, out, on through space, but later on the sun sets, the darkness falls and I

can no longer see, no not even as far as the street below me. What's the matter? My vision has been blurred by the darkness, I can no longer see with the natural eye and must turn on the light. Get the thought? When we were filled and thrilled with the presence and power of Jesus, and could feel the Holy Ghost running up and down the avenues of our soul, and the Sun of righteousness had risen with healing in His wings and was shining brightly in our souls, our vision was clear and we could see afar, but now as the clouds of opposition begin to hover around us, the fierce winds of the depression begin to chill our hearts, we begin to look at the waves and so begin to sink. I am afraid that we have sat around and whined, complained and talked depression until our joy has leaked out and the Holy Ghost is grieved beyond our comprehension.

How may we regain our lost vision? First, by earnest praying, and confession. But, you say, to what shall we confess? Have we sinned? Dear brother, sister, I am going to leave this question for you to answer, but remember that the sin of "omission" is just as serious as the sin of commission, and to obey is better than sacrifice and to hearken than the fat of rams. In Isa. 1:19 He says, "If we be willing and obedient, ye SHALL eat the good of the land." Now if we can look the facts square in the face without feeling that we have failed God somewhere, then I am through, and have no more to say. (See Dan. 9:3-19).

The second step toward regaining our lost vision, is a close study of God's Bible. I do not feel that I need to point out the hundreds of texts that show us our responsibility as regards the mission field. I am sure you know where they are; read them, ponder them day and night, and as Mary told the servants to do, so you must do likewise. John 2:5, last clause.

The next thing I ask you to do, is to get a Minute of the 27th Annual Assembly, look to page 42, there you will find a report of money paid into the foreign mission treasury for the year ending Sept. 30, 1932. The total receipts for the period is \$4,087.28. Divide this amount equally among the membership of the Church as reported in the 1931 minutes; the result is an average of nearly 14c per member, for the year. Of course, for each dollar paid into the foreign mission treasury there was also one paid into the state treasury for the home mission field, but at its best I feel sure that we could have done a great deal more, had we only been willing to sacrifice a little more.

Think of the first Missionary who ever came to this world—Jesus, the precious Son of God and the Prince of glory, and of Him it is said that for our sakes He became poor, that we through His poverty might be rich. I find no record in the Bible of where Jesus, during His life on earth, possessed any more of this world's good than just the clothes that He wore, and He was dependent on the

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## NOTICES

To the ministers and churches of Florida: The District Conventions will convene as follows: Lake Worth, District, Jan. 13-15; Ft. Myers District, Jan. 20-22; Miami District, Feb. 10-12; Lake Wales District, Feb. 24-26; Manatee District, March 3-5; Orlando District, March 10-12; Tampa District, March 17-19; Linden District, March 31-April 2; Williston District, April 7-9; Branford District, April 14-16; Perry District, April 28-30; Jasper District, May 5-7; Jacksonville, May 12-14. (Will announce about the Pensacola District later).

The conventions last year were good but we hope for these to be still better. There will be special subjects on the program for the speakers and I feel that the ministers as well as the laity should be present to hear them. We want to urge you to come. To fail to attend will mean that you will miss a blessing. Heb. 10:25, "And let us not forsake our meetings, as is the custom of some; but entreat ye one another; and the more, as ye see that day draw near." (Syriac).

There have been several good revivals in the state since the Assembly, and we hope that these meetings will add inspiration to the revival work. If you need salvation, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost, or your body healed, come. If you need instructions, inspiration, edification, or encouragement, come. Let us pray that the Father, Son and Holy Ghost will have control throughout these Conventions.—E. W. Williams, Overseer of Florida, 512 Augusta St., Lakeland, Fla.

I wish to notify all the preachers in my territory, under my overseership, that the one that sells the most pencils between now and the next General Assembly will be awarded a cash premium of twenty dollars provided I get the \$100.00 premium. Now fellowworkers, here is a chance for you and I feel I am standing in a good position to get the hundred dollars as I am sure you will do your best to get the twenty dollars. Personally, I have one thousand and five hundred pencils that I am selling myself. As I travel around I sell here and there in the interest of the orphans and in order to help pay off the general debt. So let us rally to the front. I have a supply of order blanks and if you wish one, write me. The contest starts Jan. 1st, so the pencils that you have already sold will not be considered, but from Jan. 1st and on. If you wish further information, write me.—Paul H. Walker, Wahpeton, N. Dak.

I would like to hear from Brother G. W. Peoples.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Ellen Jarvis, Box 63, Lacoochee, Fla.

We are now enjoying the cool breeze in Illinois. We arrived Nov. 9. We have had six snows but we like it fine. We have a good church building and about one hundred thirty members. They are

fine people and have good victory. We appreciate our state overseer, Brother M. P. Cross. We have a good Sunday School, also C. of G. Y. P. E. Crowds are increasing all the time. We are planning on a revival. Pray that we may have a great harvest of souls and that this year will be the best of our life.—Yours in Christ, Z. D. Simpson, 509 S. Locust St., W. Frankfort, Ill.

### KENTUCKY NOTICE

Our State Convention will be at Louisville, Ky., May 25-28. We will have our first C. of G. Y. P. E. State Convention this year sometime in August or September, date and place to be announced later. Churches that would like to have this convention, please confer with me at an early date.

I am going to insist that each of our pastors make a special effort in the Evangel drive for subscriptions and every minister who is not a subscriber should certainly, without fail or delay, subscribe for this paper. I don't see how any one can preach and love the Church of God and make such slow effort to keep up with its progress, so come on and set the example and urge others to follow and subscribe for this worthy paper. I am highly encouraged with our new editor and if we will work and cooperate with him this drive will be a success.

The District Overseers and addresses for the year are as follows: Louisville District, Chas. E. Lockard, Louisville, Ky., Rt. 3, Box 303; Harlan District, Roy E. Blackwood, Harlan, Ky., Box 86; Eastern District, H. L. Marcum, Dunlow, W. Va.; Catlettsburg District, John W. Hamilton, Harris, Ky.; Ravenna District, G. A. Fore, Ravenna, Ky.; Corbin District, S. A. Wilson, Rockhold, Ky.; Western District, Lawrence Hughes, Horse Branch, Ky.; Kentucky River District, F. R. Harrawood, Mt. Sterling, Ky., Star Rt.; Somerset District, Starling Smith, 139 Cotter Ave., Somerset, Ky. State Mission Treasurer, Chas. E. Lockard, Louisville, Ky., Rt. 3, Box 303. Pastors, please make a stronger effort this year on raising mission money. Send one half to the State Treasurer and the other half to the General Secretary and Treasurer.

I would be glad that every church would get in a revival as soon as possible. We have plenty of evangelists. R. H. Bell, 4544 Park Blvd., Louisville, Ky. is altogether in the evangelistic work this year. He is tried, proven and is a true blue. No church will make a mistake, in getting him. D. C. Rayhill, Coral Ridge, Ky., Rt. 1, is open for calls. He was our most successful evangelist last year. In three revivals he got over one hundred members. Evert S. Ross, Scoville, Ky. will hold you a good meeting and his method of giving out the Word will interest your congregation. The Rexrode Happy Band is open for calls. Brother Rexrode has a real musical band and will get the crowd. Those wanting to get in touch with him may write him in care of me. B. H. Enix, Wallins Creek, Ky. is doing some evangelistic work this year. He is a good, successful evangelist and

will certainly be a blessing to your church. Chas. Crank, Hamilton, Ohio, Bx. 162, is open for calls in Kentucky. He is a very promising young minister, twenty-four years old. If a Y. P. E. wishes to put on a revival, I will recommend Brother Crank. He is a live wire and a real preacher. He will bless any church. Any time I can be of service be free to call on me.—John C. Jernigan, State Overseer of Kentucky.

This is a big territory and a fine opportunity in this community for a Church of God evangelist. We Church of God people want some one to come here and run a meeting. The colored people also want some one to run them a meeting. Please pray for me and my family and the work at this place.—A humble sister, Z. G. Campbell, Rt. 1, Rutledge, Ala.

To churches, clerks and pastors in Louisiana: We ask that the clerks of churches report regularly each month. Some have been prompt but some have not. That isn't loyalty. I'll ask that the pastors see that the clerks do report each month, also that every church do everything they possibly can for missions. You want to see new work established, but it can't be done unless you put the money in the mission fund. Our missionaries are in need. The other members of the State Mission Board are W. P. Jones, Oak Grove, La., Star Rt., and H. P. Nolan, Epps, La., Treasurer. Please send one half to him and the other half to E. J. Boehmer, Cleveland, Tenn. The Assembly has ruled that one Sunday in each quarter be set aside for missions, therefore, on the fifth Sunday in January each church make a special effort for missions. The pastor is to use the method he chooses in raising funds. I suggest that he preach a special sermon on missions. Remember that each church is to raise an amount in offerings equal to five per cent of tithes paid in. Also, a mission box is to be placed in each local church to contain freewill offerings for the mission cause. Let's be loyal in every respect. The churches should have a missionary committee to stimulate the mission cause.

Churches, please see that your pastor is cared for by paying your tithes and offerings.

J. B. Cole, Epps, La., Box 212, is Superintendent of Sunday Schools for the time being. Let's get a school in every community we can this year. Pay tithes on your Sunday School offerings so we can get free literature for the first quarter for new Sunday Schools.

If you are not a subscriber for the Evangel, subscribe now and keep up with the Church's news. It's only one dollar at present.

Any time we can help you, let us know.—J. B. Cole, Overseer of Louisiana, Epps, La., Box 212.

To the Churches of God in Mississippi, greetings in the name of Jesus. We have Brother T. M. McClendon, a true soldier of the cross, a capable minister, and bus-

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## Orphanage Report

### CASH RECEIPTS December, 1932

Belfast, Me. \$2.20; S. S. Melrose, N. Mex. 02c; Y.P.E. Shelburn, Ind. (Thanksgiving offering) \$4.25; S.S. Carrier Mills, Ill. \$1.62; Eunice Hefner, Knoxville, Tenn. (Assembly Pledge) \$5.00; S. S. Jasper, Fla. 70c; S. S. N. Woodville, Mich. \$2.09; S. S. LaFrance, S. C. 20c; S. S. Shamrock, Tex. 48c; S. S. Edinburg, Tex. 33c; S. S. Thomasville, N. C. 88c; S. S. Dalton, Ga. 50c; S. S. Parkwood, Ala. 60c; S. S. Garrison, W. Va. \$1.01; S. S. Shamrock, Fla. \$1.10; S. S. Claysville, Pa. \$2.19; S. S. Faxon, Okla. 66c; S. S. Harrisburg, Ark. 08c; S. S. Lawton, Okla. \$1.12; S. S. Honea Path, S. C. \$1.50; S. S. Jonesboro, Ala. \$1.00; S. S. Lake Wales, Fla. \$1.14; S. S. Milton, W. Va. 52c; S. S. Kannapolis, N. C. \$2.42; Church, Crane Eater, Ga. 05c; S. S. Walhalla (town) S. C. 76c; S. S. Valdece, N. C. \$1.09; S. S. Warrenville, S. C. 68c; S. S. Harrisburg, Pa. \$1.32; S. S. Columbia, S. C. \$2.96; S. S. Reading, Pa. 90c; S. S. Wills Point, Tex. 24c; S. S. Lowe, W. Va. 87c; S. S. Cedartown, Ga. 14c; S. S. Summit, Ala. 27c; S. S. Greenwood, S. C. \$1.97; S. S. Perry, Fla. 66c; S. S. Ft. Pierce, Fla. 10c; S. S. West St. Louis, Mo. 68c; S. S. Rome, Ga. \$1.27; S. S. Grand Ledge, Mich. \$2.46; S. S. Ft. Worth, Tex. 50c; S. S. Kathleen, Fla. 28c; S. S. Eldorado, Ill. \$6.69; Church, Carrolton, Ga. 63c; S. S. Ashville, N. C. \$3.11; S. S. Long Beach, Calif. \$1.72; S. S. E. Chattanooga, Tenn. \$3.20; S. S. Labelle, Fla. \$1.84; S. S. Lignite, N. Dak. \$3.25; S. S. Columbus, Ga. \$1.52; S. S. Hubbell, W. Va. \$1.01; S. S. Williamsburg, Pa. 87c; S. S. Belfry, Ky. \$2.91; S. S. Coffeyville, Kan. \$3.24; S. S. Auburndale, Fla. 89c; S. S. Marked Tree, Ark. \$1.90; S. S. Phenix City, Ala. 29c; S. S. Kermit, W. Va. \$1.36; S. S. Lanett, Ala. \$1.37; S. S. Macon, Ga. 99c; S. S. Kinners Tabernacle, Tenn. 17c; Church, Dunlow, W. Va. 74c; S. S. Mt. Pleasant, S. C. 26c; S. S. Catlettsburg, Ky. \$3.99; S. S. Cramer, N. C. \$1.00; S. S. Eldorado, Md. \$1.25; S. S. Ft. Mill, S. C. \$3.20; S. S. Boynton, Pa. 90c; S. S. Talladega, Ala. 39c; S. S. Columbus, Ga. \$2.22; S. S. Lake City, Fla. 76c; S. S. Big Timber, Mont. \$1.62; Maude L. Largin, Hot Springs, New Mex. 35c; S. S. Mobetie, Tex. 40c; S. S. Barnabus, W. Va. \$1.55; S. S. Lubbock, Tex. 08c; S. S. Lanus, Tex. 21c; S. S. Epworth, N. Dak. 80c; S. S. Mooresville, N. C. \$2.92; S. S. Petersburg, W. Va. \$1.00; S. S. Cantwell, Mo. \$3.88; Church, Jefferson City, Tenn. 41c; S. S. Akron, Ohio, \$3.55; S. S. Electra, Tex. 82c; S. S. Ravenna, Ky. \$1.95; Church, Winsboro, S. C. 28c; S. S. Portland, Me. \$1.41; S. S. Kellevs, W. Va. 83c; S. S. Toledo, Ohio, 74c; S. S. Wilmington, N. C. \$2.90; S. S. Largo, Fla. \$1.79; Church, Ladonia, Tex. \$5.16; Fannie Greene, Union, S. C. \$2.50; S. S. Dayton, Ohio, \$4.35; Church, Oak Grove, Ky. \$1.22; S. S. Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. \$1.35; S. S. Thomaston, Ga. \$3.46; Church, Thomaston, Ga. \$7.54; S. S. Evert, Ky. \$1.25; S. S. Cape Girardeau, Mo. 54c; S. S.

Olustee, Fla. \$5.00; S. S. Carson Springs, Tenn. 51c; Church, Desdemona, Tex. \$1.25; S. S. Weir, Kan. \$2.77; S. S. Lewis-town, Mont. \$5.50; Mary Weeks, Bogue, N. C. \$1.00; John Major, Cairo, Ga. 25c; S. S. Canton, Ohio, \$3.88; S. S. Big Spgs., Tex. 66c; S. S. Rocky Hill, Miss. 55c; S. S. Haynes, Ark. 05c; S. S. Belton, S. C. \$2.37; S. S. Cambridge, Md. \$3.97; S. S. Seaford, Del. 32c; S. S. Eccles, W. Va. 25c; S. S. Trafford, Ala. 23c; S. S. Augusta, Ga. \$6.11; S. S. Spring Place, Ga. 36c; Jim Foshe, Deering, Mo. 10c; S. S. Herrins Chapel, Tenn. 05c; S. S. LaFollette, Tenn. 90c; S. S. Sulphur Springs, Fla. \$1.45; S. S. Montgomery, Ala. \$1.07; S. S. Dillon, S. C. 11c; S. S. Parris, Tex. 77c; S. S. Plant City, Fla. \$2.65; S. S. South St. Joseph, Mo. 23c; S. S. Tazewell, Va. 10c; S. S. East Alton, Ill. \$1.00; S. S. Thorn, Miss. \$1.60; S. S. Consolation, Tex. 15c; S. S. Markleysburg, Pa. \$6.00; S. S. Bunker Hill, S. C. 25c; S. S. Vero Beach, Fla. \$3.80; S. S. Erwin Hill, Ga. \$5.50; S. S. West Junction, Ohio, 23c; S. S. Naples, Fla. 59c; S. S. Forest La. \$1.11; S. S. Thomasville, Ala. 37c; S. S. Black Oak, Tenn. \$1.75; S. S. Bennedale, Miss. 36c; S. S. Vicksburg, Mo. \$2.65; S. S. Shepherds Fold, 21c; S. S. Hobbs, N. Mex. \$1.97; S. S. S. Turnertown, Tex., 72c; S. S. Hayti, Mo. 30c; — — — — — S. S. Frost Proof, Fla. \$1.65; S. S. Rock Hill, Fla. 41c; S. S. Somerset, Pa. 70c; S. S. Broad Creek, N. C. \$1.26; S. S. Marion, Va. 65c; S. S. Bonne Terre, Mo. \$3.35; S. S. Piney Grove, Ala. 77c; S. S. Tucson, Ariz. 70c; S. S. Ft. Myers, Fla. \$1.50; S. S. Cincinnati, Ohio, \$5.00; S. S. Dunseath, N. Dak. \$2.92; S. S. Cedar Hill, Tenn. \$3.69; S. S. Ft. Myers, Fla. 50c; Church, Plant City, Fla. 61c; L. V. Ellis, Golden Valley, N. Dak. \$4.00; S. S. Collinsville, Ill. 60c; S. S. Chauncey, Ill. \$1.10; Church, Pine Ridge, Md. 25c; S. S. Ladonia, Tex. 63c; S. S. Kentwood, La. \$1.69c; S. S. Baltimore, Md. \$4.02; S. S. Lester, W. Va. 43c; S. S. Maud, Okla. 65c; S. S. Manns Choice, Pa. 60c; S. S. Olney, Ill. \$3.45; S. S. Washington, N. C. \$1.00; S. S. Elkhorn, W. Va. 22c; S. S. Boswell, Pa. 79c; Church, Sealey, N. C. \$1.12; S. S. Wytheville, Va. \$1.15; S. S. LaFayette, Ga. \$1.71; S. S. Brownfield, Tex. 24c; S. S. Wilcoe, Fla. 63c; S. S. Monroe, Va. \$25.77; S. S. Paint Fork, N. C. 20c; S. S. Cliffview, Va. 34c; Eunice McCoy, Arley, Ala. 50c; S. S. Memphis, Tenn. \$1.80; S. S. Anderson, S. C. \$2.28; S. S. Clyde, N. C. \$1.30; S. S. Joplin, Mo. 45c; S. S. Shawneetown, Ill. 14c; S. S. Easton, Md. \$4.46; S. S. New Bethlehem, Pa. 73c; S. S. Nocatee, Fla. \$2.69; S. S. Somerset, Pa. \$2.66; S. S. Thurber, Tex. 31c; S. S. Eupora, Miss. \$1.23; S. S. Belfast, Me. \$2.00; S. S. Dade City, Fla. 67c; S. S. Uhrichsville, Ohio, 12c; S. S. Juanita, Pa. \$1.22; S. S. Parkersburg, W. Va. 33c; S. S. Baldwin Park, Calif. \$1.49; S. S. Deerfield, Va. 22c; S. S. Jackson, Ohio, \$2.10; S. S. Alma, Ga. \$3.16; Mrs. H. J. Collier, Odum, Ga. 10c; Mrs. L. Ellison, Bismark, N. Dak. \$2.00; S. S. Bone Cave, Tenn. \$1.00; D. L. Johnson, Jacksonville, Ala. \$1.75; Church, Manns Choice, Pa. \$9.00; S. S. Twila, Ky. \$7.85;

S. S. Manatee, Fla. \$3.96; S. S. Tampa, Fla. \$1.51; S. S. Seneca, S. C. 40c; Mrs. Ethel M. Cosand, Flint, Mich. 40c; S. S. Chilhowie, Va. 15c; S. S. Iowa Park, Tex. \$1.20; Church, Iowa Park, Tex. \$5.00; S. S. Union Grove, Ky. 50c; S. S. Columbus, Ohio, \$1.20; S. S. Prichard, Ala. 51c; Church, Charlotte, N. C. 50c; S. S. Union, S. C. 94c; S. S. Barnardsville, N. C. 13c; S. S. Carbon Hill, Ala. 64c; S. S. Glad Valley, S. Dak. \$1.00; S. S. Fitzgerald, Ga. \$1.95; S. S. Strait Creek, Ala. \$1.56; Mrs. S. R. Webb, Mt. Vernon, Ill. \$1.50; Church, E. St. Louis, Ill. (Xmas Gift) \$10.00; S. S. Lacoochee, Fla. \$1.64; S. S. Mt. Olive, Tenn. \$1.31; S. S. Trinity, Tex. 60c; A Friend, Williamsburg, Pa. \$10.00; S. S. Mission, Tex. \$1.90; S. S. Nocatee, Fla. \$1.93; S. S. McMinnville, Tenn. \$7.40; S. S. Campaign, Tenn. \$4.91; Majestic, Ala. 18c; L. A. Webb, Brooksville, Fla. \$2.00; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dixon, Chillicothe, Ohio, \$5.00; Mrs. Virginia Martin, Taylor, Mo. 50c; Mrs. Leann Oathout, Cortland, Ind. \$4.00; S. S. Walker, N. Dak. \$4.00; S. S. Davis Creek, W. Va. \$6.00; S. S. Bible Class, Benton, Ill. \$6.75; S. S. McBeth, W. Va. \$2.04; Ft. Myers, Fla. \$4.15; S. S. Cape Girardeau, Mo. 26c; Church, Weatherford, Tex. 35c; Tennessean, N. C. 56c; S. S. National, W. Va. 88c; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Mills, Jolter, Mont. \$10.00; Mrs. Chas. E. Pierce, W. Buxton, Me. \$1.40; Walter Harden, Kimberly, Ala. \$2.00; J. H. Moore, Monclo, W. Va. \$1.60; S. S. Johnston City, Ill. \$3.45; Mrs. W. Wildason, Ft. Wayne, Ind. \$2.14; S. S. Wake Forest, N. C. \$1.93; Willing Workers Class, Marietta, Ohio, \$4.00; S. S. Detroit, Mich. \$39.47; S. S. Epworth, N. Dak. \$3.13; Church, Greenville, S. C. \$15.00; S. S. Lignite, N. Dak. \$3.00; C. S. Shelby, Reydon, Okla. 25c; S. S. Hamilton, Ohio, \$13.75; S. S. Carmi, Ill. \$1.75; Church, Otis, Fla. \$3.00; Solicited by Emily Cook, Cambridge, Md. \$15.00; Oak Grove, Ky. 45c; S. S. Draper, N. C. \$1.60; S. S. Cleveland, Miss. \$1.00; Edna Dixon, Dunn, La. \$1.00; S. S. Anderson, Ala. \$1.55; S. S. Foxworth, Miss. 08c; S. S. Crown Hill, W. Va. \$1.20; S. S. Riviera, Fla. \$2.75; S. S. Meadville, Miss. 20c; S. S. Clinton, S. C. \$1.14; S. S. Townsend, Tenn. \$3.00; S. S. Whiteside, Tenn. \$1.75; S. S. Imboden, Ark. 43c; S. S. E. Chattanooga, Tenn. \$2.73; S. S. LaFrance, S. C. 05c; S. S. Reading, Pa. \$1.08; S. S. Asheville, N. C. \$1.92; S. S. Phenix City, Ala. 39c; S. S. Talladega, Ala. 22c; S. S. Selma, N. C. \$1.45; S. S. Lawton, Okla. \$1.00; S. S. Jonesboro, Ala. 37c; S. S. Vicksburg, Mo. \$1.64; S. S. Walhalla (town), S. C. \$1.22; S. S. Hudson, Fla. \$2.54; S. S. Sanford, N. C. 90c; S. S. Thomasville, N. C. \$1.79; S. S. Lexington, N. C. 09c; S. S. Olney, Ill. \$2.36.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Parkwood Church, Bessinger, Ala., 1 quilt; Dorcas Circle, Marietta, Ohio, 1 quilt, 9 towels, 4 pot lifters, 1 doily, 1 apron, 2 dust caps, 1 apron, 3 underbodies, 1 pr. panties, 5 pr. sport socks (worn), hair pins, 1 box cocoa, 1 box toothpicks, 4 bars soap, 1 spool thread; Mrs. W. E. Davis, Pulaski, Va., 1 dress (Please look on next page)



## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

JANUARY, 1933

(Lesson 4)

Subject: "JESUS FORGIVING SIN."

TIME: May-June, A. D. 28, in the second year of Christ's ministry.

PLACE: Capernaum, Christ's headquarters, on the northwest shore of Galilee.

GOLDEN TEXT: The Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins. Mark 2:10.

LEADING THOUGHT: The fact that Jesus forgives sins plainly shows that He is divine.

### LESSON TEXT

Mark 2:1-12. "And again he entered into Capernaum after some days; and it was noised that he was in the house." Returning again where He had cast out a devil in the synagogue, one has but to imagine with what joy and excitement hearers would hail His coming, after it was "noised."

V. 2. "And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door." Good men would be drawn to Him. Bad men would be benefited by Him. Such throngs were eager for a touch of the Master's hand, for a glimpse at His graceful form. "And he preached the word unto them" this was His chief aim, as it is written, "They shall all be taught of God." Fragrant flowers cannot be concealed; their fragrance betrays their whereabouts.

V. 3. "And they came unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four." A disease rendering the patient eminently helpless. "Borne of four." Such was his only hope of obtaining help. This is equally true of those in sin—some one must bring them to Jesus.

V. 4. When hindered from being able to get their patient to Jesus, faith is perceptive of some method and will not submit to defeat. The stairway possibly ran up the outside of the house. (See Deut. 22:8). Luke 5:18 tells us that they took him upon the house top and broke the tiling open and let him down in the midst. Faithful workers will not be defeated.

V. 5. "When Jesus saw their faith." It is strikingly interesting to note the manner in which Jesus recognizes the incident. "Saw their faith." He recognizes the true element of such an effort. His ready response is seen in His immediate answer "unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee." Jesus here attributes sickness in the creation as resulting from sin. He expresses His willingness to forgive such, and restore its effects. Matthew adds the words "Be of good cheer."

V. 6 expresses the "scribes" as "reasoning in their hearts," but void of the cause of sickness and in lack of sympathy they immediately express indignation at such glorious deliverance from sin and its effects.

V. 7. "The ungodly change the best

medicine into poison, and prevent the holiest truths. The slanderer's custom is, not to try to ascertain the speaker's meaning, but by some means to pervert and wrest his words." The scribes could not perceive in Jesus the glory of the "only begotten of God." The light was shining in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not.

V. 8. As an X-ray locates that which is foreign to the body through which it is looking, so Jesus here perceives the "thoughts" of the scribes to be out of harmony with His action. Notice: "When Jesus perceived in his spirit that they reasoned within themselves" He immediately questions such reasoning.

V. 9. Answering, "Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed and walk?" Removing the cause that had bound the man sick of the palsy, was equal unto demanding obedience of a servant, in commanding him to "arise and walk." It was, however, milder on the part of Jesus and pictures Him as a tender, compassionate Savior and not so much a Master, though He was both.

V. 10. Jesus here pictures immediate forgiveness of sins, by manifesting an immediate pardon. He further shows that forgiveness is a thing to be enjoyed rather than a chastisement in progress. He here demonstrates His power to deal with sin and to effect redemption by means of freedom from the bondage of Satan.

V. 11. The questioning of Jesus' power and authority to forgive sins upon earth, by the scribes, is here refuted with an outward and sensible evidence that it is not fictitious or imaginary. Unto every sick soul He says, "Arise, and take up your bed." If our "bed" be our affections in which we rest, He does not bid us to cast them away.

V. 12 records the immediate victory and response of the "palsied man." "Before them all." Some were amazed, from the Greek "eksistasthai," meaning to be driven out of their senses. Their failure to understand had bewildered them. Others that perceive and believe the truth of the miracle, are found "glorifying God." "We never saw it on this fashion." Christ always brings some new revelation and glory of Himself as well as some eventful and glorious deliverance of His creation.

"Palsy," an adjective; "paralytikos," meaning one paralyzed.

### 19 SANCTIFIED, 13 FILLED WITH HOLY GHOST

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.—We have just closed a meeting up here. God surely did bless. Twenty-four were saved, nineteen sanctified and thirteen filled with the Holy Ghost. The writer is doing the preaching. There isn't a church here but we expect to set one in order as soon as possible. A goodly number are looking this way. Please pray for us for we surely need your prayers.—A brother in Christ, Lamar J. Stone, % C. F. Shull, Powell Knitting Co., Spartanburg, S. C.

## ORPHANAGE REPORT

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pattern, 1 man's tie, 1 pr. socks; Church, Pulaski, Va., 1 box candy; Cleveland Masonic Lodge, 2 baskets fruit; Col. Charles Mayfield, Cleveland, Tenn., 1 crate oranges, 1 crate apples, 10 lbs. candy; Stivers Lumber Co., Cleveland, Tenn., 1 bucket candy; Church, Myersville, Pa., 2 aprons, 5 towels, 1 pr. rubbers, 2 yds. domestic, 2 3-4 yds. prints, 2 dust caps, 3 pr. shoes, 3 wool caps, 8 small garments, 4 small dresses (worn), 7 bars soap; Church, Manns Choice, Pa., 1 toy ironing board and iron, 3 dolls, 2 girls' belts, 3 boys' belts, 2 pr. shoes, 5 pr. boys' wool socks, 5 pr. small cotton socks, 16 dresses, 2 slips, 1 scarf, 1 coat, 1 hat, 1 pr. boys' pants, 1 tam, 8 little boys' suits (worn), 1 shirt, 1 pr. stockings, 1 sweater, 1 set of blocks, 3 boxes puzzles, 5 statues, 2 small toys, 1 sewing box; Church, some place in Ohio, 1 toy chicken, 1 toy rabbit, 1 ball, 2 coats, 1 toy car, 1 bag nuts, 2 pkgs. candy, 1 small bag popcorn; Church, Louisville, Ky., 10 children's dresses, 7 princess slips, 2 pr. pillow cases, 12 shirts, 9 pr. boys' socks, 7 pr. stockings, 4 night shirts, 3 pr. pants, 2 quilts, 1 quilt top; Church, Union, S. C., 8 1-4 yds. prints, 1 yd. outing, 5 yds. domestic, 2 shirts, 1 skirt, 1 sweater; Mrs. Martha Durgen, Chickamauga, Ga., 22 dresses, 2 princess slips; Church, St. Louis, Mo., 2 quilts, 5 towels, 1 girl's coat, 6 dresses, 1 waist, 1 skirt (worn); Bernard church, Russell Spgs., Ky., 2 pr. gloves, 6 pr. stockings, 4 towels, 1 pillow case, 1 card safety pins, 1 apl. thread; Church, E. Chattanooga, Tenn., 20 boys' shirts, 23 pr. overalls, 1 pr. underwear; Mrs. Louisa F. Ransom, Wilmauma, Fla., 1 box oranges, 1 basket tangerines; A. & P. Store, Cleveland, Tenn. (by Roy McWhorter), 24 loaves bread; F. W. Woolworth Store, Cleveland, Tenn. (by Roy McWhorter), 3 boxes candy; Solicited by Sister Willie Mae Carroll and Sister William Garner, Lindale, Ga., 6 men's shirts, 5 boys' shirts, 2 gowns, 1 coatsuit, 6 misses' dresses, 1 lady's dress, 1 child's dress, 1 princess slip, 1 pr. bloomers, 7 pr. misses' hose, 1 miss' short coat, 4 1-2 yds. chambray, 2 bars soap, 2 dress patterns for Omie and Annie, 1 girl's coat (worn); Church, Shelburn, Ind., 2 quilts; Hattie Jackson, Calhoun, Ga., 1 bedspread, 1 sheet, 1 pr. pillow cases, 1 dresser scarf, 5 towels, 4 princess slips, 2 pr. hose, 4 yds. shirting, 7 1-2 yds. gingham, 1 child's dress, 2 bars soap, 1 box soda, 1 hdkt.; Church, Thomaston, Ga., 4 sheets, 1 lady's coat (worn), 12 misses' dresses, 1 lady's dress, 4 towels, 1 boy's shirt, 3 pr. overalls, 8 yds. cloth, 4 pr. pillow cases, 2 pr. boys' pants (worn), 1 pr. stockings.

The world is a lookingglass, and gives back to every man the reflection of his own face. Frown at it, and it will in turn look sourly upon you; laugh at it and with it, and it is a jolly, kind companion.

—Thackery.

## NOTICES

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ness executive of God, for our State Overseer. We are all glad for him to visit our church and I am sure every individual member loves him. I suggest that each church send him at least one dollar per month offering as the tithe of tithes are far from being sufficient to meet his needs and traveling expenses. Rom. 10: 14, 15 says, "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!" We don't want the State of Mississippi to be hindered in the cause of Christ by this loyal soldier of the cross being hindered from visiting those needing his assistance. I am sure the Lord will shadow us with His richest blessings for our undivided cooperation with Brother McClendon. Having been duly appointed as District Pastor of the Columbus District by our State Overseer, I want to especially urge that every pastor take this up with his church.—Your brother, B. H. Lott, District Pastor of Columbus Dist., Rt. 3, Eupora, Miss.

The Rexrode Happy Band is now singing and making music in a revival at Catlettsburg, Ky. The Lord is blessing and the house will not hold the crowds. Brother Rexrode will work with us in Kentucky the rest of the year if we will furnish him work and stand by him. He is a splendid man with a God loving spirit, and will give no pastor or church any trouble. He is a Bishop in the Church and will either take charge of the preaching and singing in a revival, or will take his band and sing and make music while the pastor does the preaching. If you are having trouble getting a crowd into your church, try the Rexrode Happy Band. Write him, R. L. Rexrode, Catlettsburg, Ky., or write me and I will make arrangements with him for your revival. He is ready for a call when we get through here.—John C. Jernigan, Overseer of Kentucky.

The Lake Worth District Convention will convene with the Okeechobee church Jan. 13-15 with our State Overseer in charge. All preachers, deacons and laymen of the district are urged to attend, and we extend a special invitation to all adjoining districts to come and be with us and let's have a good time in the Lord.—G. G. Prince, District Pastor, Lakeworth, Fla.

We will have our home coming day the fifth Sunday in January. We invite every one to come, and bring an offering on the general indebtedness. We are expecting music by the string band, and a good time in the Lord. Members of the church at Blacksburg are urged to be here. Come, and remember the offer!

on the general indebtedness.—Your brother in Christ, Burl Byers, Box 93, Blacksburg, S. C.

This is to notify the churches of the Lake Wales District that the Y. P. E. district convention will convene at Lake Wales, Fla., Sunday, Jan. 29. We expect each Endeavor in this district to arrange a program for that day. Our State Superintendent, Brother E. W. Williams, and Assistant State Superintendent, Brother Berl Sumner, will be with us. We invite all neighboring churches. We will have dinner at the church. Come and bring a prepared basket.—L. E. Alderman, Pastor, 45 Walker St., Lake Wales, Fla.

The Ft. Myers district convention will convene at Ft. Myers, Jan. 20-22 with dinner served at the tabernacle, so come, bring your baskets filled with good things to eat while the Lord gives us a feast from heaven. We are expecting a delegation from the following churches in the district: Naples, Labelle, Nocatee, Arcadia, and Ft. Ogden. Pray that God will bless in a special way.—P. W. Chesser, District Pastor.

The Miami District convention will convene at Miami church, 900 N. W. 30th St., Feb. 10-12. All ministers, Sunday School Superintendents and Y. P. E. leaders of this district are expected to attend. All others are invited to come and enjoy a feast of good things from the Lord with us. Brother E. W. Williams, Overseer, in charge.—W. M. Rumler, Pastor and District Overseer, 865 N. W. 29th Terrace, Miami, Fla.

To the churches of the Jasper district: There will be a district convention for the Y. P. E. at Jasper, Sunday, Feb. 19. Each church is requested to come and be with us. Pastors, let's work for this cause and make it a good day. Brother W. B. Sumner, State Superintendent of Y. P. E., and Brother Williams are expected to be with us.—Floyd O'Bannon, District Overseer.

The Church of God at Kingston, Jam., would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Rosa Burnett, Phulie Burnett, Alvin Burnett, Irene Kentish, Albertha Carniff, Elethia Baxter, Violet Foster, Gwendolyn Reece. If not heard from by the next conference their names will be dropped.—Edith Clarkson, clerk.

This is to notify the secretaries of the Sunday Schools in Ohio that J. D. Wilson, 2008 Tytus Ave., Middletown, Ohio, has been appointed State Superintendent. Please send your Sunday School reports to him.—E. Haynes, Overseer.

The Church of God at Crystal River will have home coming the fifth Sunday in January. We will serve fish and oysters for dinner. You are welcome. We expect to have our State Overseer with us, also our District Overseer. Don't forget the day. We have Brother Abbot and

band here now for a revival. The interest is good. Pray for us.—L. L. Jones, Pastor.

To whom it may concern: My address is changed from 2715 Chamberlain Ave., E. Chattanooga, to 450 Sparta St., McMinnville, Tenn.—T. S. Payne.

To the Y. P. E. in the State of Florida: As I have been duly appointed assistant State Superintendent of the Y. P. E., I am hereby asking the cooperation of every District and Local Superintendent in the state. As the Y. P. E. convention will be convening at an early date, I ask that each one do his best. Young people, this is a good work. Let's do our part for the Lord and the Y. P. E. It has been recommended that each local Endeavor send not less than ten per cent (and as much more as they desire) to the State Secretary and Treasurer, and this fund is to be used for sponsoring evangelistic work in new fields (to purchase equipment such as tents, chairs, etc.). As Brother L. R. Alderman, 45 Walker St., Lake Wales, Fla. has been appointed State Secretary and Treasurer, I would like for each Local Secretary to get in touch with him at once and send your percentage of funds to him. Come on, Florida, let's put the young people's work over the top for Jesus.—Humbly yours, W. B. Sumner, Gen. Del., Sulphur Springs, Fla.

The Church of God at Dunn, La. wants to know the spiritual condition of the following members: H. M. Johnson, P. B. Powers, Lizzie Ivery, Earline Carroll, Lucille Howell, Lillie Moore, Edith Moore, L. B. Young and Celia McCury. If not heard from by next quarterly conference, which will be on or about March 10, their names will be dropped from the church roll.—Amanda L. Fuller, clerk, Dunn, La.

To whom it may concern: There has been some confusion as to my name. The names L. J. Corley, Jack Corley, and Luther J. Corley are all the same. From this time on I will be known as Luther J. Corley, Sylacauga, Ala.

Is there a church anywhere far or near that does not have a shepherd and would like my time for the coming year? I am 100 per cent Church of God. I have been preaching about three years and promise to do my best. I am twenty-one years old and single. I received the Holy Ghost when nine years old. I am a licensed minister. For other information write Riley Clement, Newlin, Texas.

As we expect to evangelize in the State of Kentucky this year, would like to locate somewhere that we could get some ground to farm. Any one knowing about a place, please write to R. L. Rexrode, Catlettsburg, Ky.

I am now ready to come to your place and hold a meeting, any place, anywhere. Let me have your call. I would also like to get some young man that has the Holy

Ghost and can play music to go with me this coming summer. If you have the call, get in touch with me.—H. G. Smith, 601 2nd St., South Pittsburg, Tenn.

I would like to get in touch with Bro. Jack Oneal as he was with me here two years ago and I believe it would be to the glory of God for me to locate him.—Albert Malone, Avon Park, Fla.

I am now open for evangelistic calls. I can preach, play and sing, and stand foursquare for the Church of God. Any one desiring my help, write me at once.—Joseph C. Thompson, Box 184, Macclenny, Fla.

#### REQUESTS

On Dec. 1st I took the flu and after being in bed thirteen days the Lord raised me up but I am not completely healed. I have taken fresh cold and have a very sore throat. I request God's children everywhere to pray for God to strengthen and completely heal my body so I can attend services.—Your sister in Christ, Stella Watts, Box 724, Lepanto, Ark.

Please pray for the healing of Sister Flossie Stiles of St. George, W. Va. She has been sick with dropsy for about six years and bedfast most of the time. She is in a very serious condition. Please pray until victory comes. If any of you feel led to write her a few words of encouragement she will appreciate it. It is a new place for holiness and she is young in the way and the only one in her home saved.—A sister who loves the Church of God, Mrs. Viola Casady, Kempton, W. Va.

I want you who know the worth of prayer to pray for God to completely heal a sore on my limb and remove the cause.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. A. C. Bowen, Pitts, Ga.

We don't have a Church of God here and I ask that you help us pray that some one will be led to come to this place and preach for us. I am not feeling well in body and desire your prayers that the Lord will touch me. I am also seeking the Holy Ghost.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. C. S. Walker, Coalgood, Ky.

Please pray for the healing of my wife. She has been in bad health for a long time. Please pray a special prayer.—E. V. Williams, Middlesboro, Ky.

Our family has been sick but the Lord has touched our bodies, however, we ask special prayer that we will be completely healed. My baby brother and little sister are sick. Please pray for them. I have some kind of stomach trouble. Don't forget to pray for us.—Flora Bell Alford, Texas.

Homer E. Ramsey reports a successful revival at Keystone, W. Va. with eleven saved, nine sanctified and four filled with the Holy Ghost. He requests prayer

for the meeting which is to start at Emnis, W. Va.—Editor.

#### THE LORD BLESSED THRUOUT REVIVAL

CLIFFVIEW, Va.—I praise the Lord for the good revival that has just closed at the Church of God at Cliffview, Va. with Brother Oscar McDaniel and wife in charge. The Lord surely did bless. There were four saved, two sanctified and three filled with the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Brother McDaniel surely did preach the Bible and the Lord blessed throughout his preaching, singing and music. He plays the guitar. Every one pray for me to stay humble at the cross of Christ.—A sister under the blood, Bertha Mairon, clerk.

#### HIS POWER IS WONDERFUL

Our new church is growing, hallelujah! We now have thirty-nine members, more coming down the line from Sister Pearl Green's revival. She surely does work hard and Brother E. E. Oneal helps her out all he can. They surely tell the world what they need to know. I received the Holy Ghost in Sister Green's revival. The power of the Lord is wonderful.

I have a little girl seven years old and she received the Holy Ghost a few days ago. I have four more children seeking the Lord. I want you to pray that they will receive the blessing and that I will receive more power and will always be faithful in the Lord. I am just glad for the Church of God anyway. Praise the Lord! Please pray that my whole family will get this glorious blessing. I am working to see my Savior's face and I want everything He has in store for me.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. W. N. Johns, Odum, Ga.

#### MEMPHIS, TENN. CHURCH GROWING RAPIDLY

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Dear Evangel readers, greetings in Jesus' name. I am glad to report victory for the little church in Memphis. It is growing rapidly. Brother Beaubé came to Memphis in July and opened fire on the devil. God wonderfully blessed. Souls were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Beaubé preached some wonderful sermons which are still ringing in our ears. Eternity alone will tell the good that was done. We are hoping to have Brother Beaubé back with us again next summer.

Brother F. A. Hubbell stopped in Memphis on his way from the Assembly and conducted a two weeks' revival for us. The Holy Ghost was present in every service. Souls were saved and sanctified and seven received the Holy Ghost. Praise God I was one of them who received the Holy Ghost. One was reclaimed. Every one learned to love Brother Hubbell and hated to see him leave.

Since the meeting last summer there have been about thirty-six added to the church. Saints everywhere pray for the church here that the Lord will get glory out of it.—Your sister in Christ, Miss Helen Brooks, Box 262.

#### LOOKING FOR GREATER THINGS

AKRON, Ohio.—Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, we as the Akron church wish to drop in a word of exhortation and courage to the churches throughout the land to hold the faith that God has promised to the Church. We were sorry to lose our pastor, D. G. Phillips, and family, but we have been renewed with courage and faith by our new pastor, Brother Sells, and wife.

We are now in our second week of revival. We are thanking our Lord for what He has done. We by faith are looking for greater things for He surely is preaching the Word in its fulness. Dearly beloved, pray for us that we may defeat the enemy and that souls will be saved and that the Holy Ghost will fall for we are now fast approaching the great day of the Lord and the coming of our Savior and we have not long to work. We blend our hearts in prayer for you.—Yours in the Lord, the Church of God, R. W. Staats, 1477 Tyler St.

#### I CANNOT PRAISE HIM ENOUGH

JEWELL RIDGE, Va.—I am thanking and praising the Lord for what He is to me just now. I am thanking Him because He has saved, sanctified and filled me with the sweet Holy Ghost and because He saw fit to pick me up out of sin and put me on the run for heaven. I was deep in sin, for I was a drunkard but thank God He has saved me. I cannot praise Him enough, He is so precious to me.

Brother H. O. Kirk is our pastor. I want every one who reads this to please pray for me for my whole heart's desire is to make heaven my home.—Wash Smith.

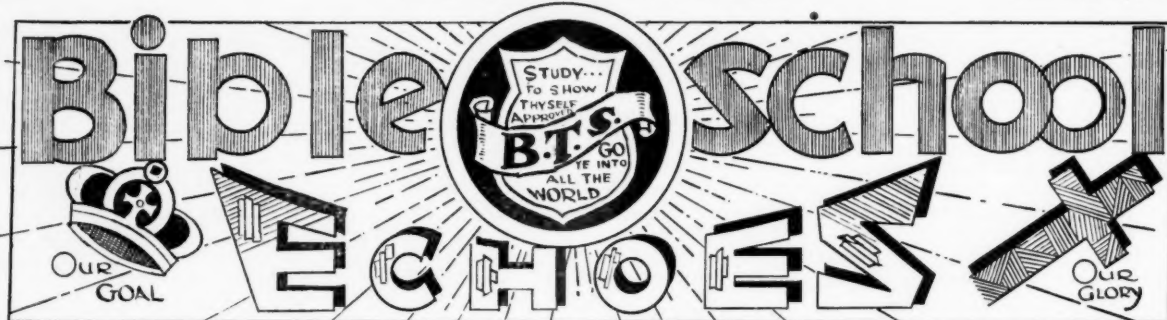
#### Y. P. E. GROWING

TOWNSEND, Tenn.—The Church of God Y. P. E. of Townsend, Tenn. has been organized for about three months but it is growing steadily. All the young people of the community are taking a great interest and are doing their best to make it grow. Last Friday night the Y.P.E. gave a special program and had as a speaker L. R. Snelson, professor of W. B. Townsend High School, who made a very interesting talk on "Character Building."

We still have with us Brother Archie McWilliams known as "the little preacher." He is still doing much good in this community.

Our Sunday School which a year ago consisted of about fifty students has grown to an average of one hundred and fifty and if it is the Lord's will we hope to have two hundred before the year is over. We have been having good cottage prayer meetings with large attendance. The Y. P. E. desires an interest in your prayers that it may continue in this good way.—Your sisters in Christ, Misses Genevieve McMahan and Maude Walker.





## A Worker's Prayer

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak  
In living echoes of Thy tone;  
As Thou hast sought, so let me seek  
Thy erring children, lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead  
The wandering and the wavering feet,  
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed  
Thy hungering ones with manna sweet.

O strengthen me, that while I stand  
Firm on the rock and strong in Thee,  
I may stretch out a loving hand  
To wrestlers with the troubled sea.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach  
The precious things Thou dost impart;  
And wing my words, that they may reach  
The hidden depths of many a heart.

O give Thine own sweet rest to me  
That I may speak with soothing power  
A word in season, as from Thee,  
To weary ones in needful hour.

O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord,  
Until my very heart o'erflow  
In kindling thought and glowing word  
Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.

O use me, Lord! use even me  
Just as Thou wilt, and when and where,  
Until Thy blessed face I see—  
Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share.

## NEWS ITEMS

Girls Quartet No. 1 spent last week end in Greenville, S. C. They sang a number of songs at each service, which was greatly appreciated.

We're glad to report the recovery of our superintendent, Brother Walker, from the flu. He is back in school with us again.

Girls' Quartet No. 2 sang at the Big Springs Methodist Church Sunday evening and Tuesday evening.

This week we have our six weeks' tests and every one is exceptionally busy studying and trying to prepare themselves for better service.

Satan may build a hedge about us and hinder our movements but he cannot roof us in and prevent our looking up. When the outlook is bad don't forget the uplook.

## COMMERCIAL REPORT

This week being the first week of this new year, 1933, and also as the first half of our school term ended at the beginning of this week, we look back over the first semester of school and feel that we have done well, but still we have a desire to do better work in this second semester. This desire being greater than some desire of minor importance, we, the commercial class, resolve to do better work during the second semester and we are determined to carry this resolution out as we realize we throw away a wonderful opportunity should we fail to carry our resolution out.

So on we press, fighting our way to the top! And when we will have finished our school term, we will then look back on our past semester, the second one, and have that feeling of those who, thru their determined and tireless efforts of study, have mastered their studies.—R. Maurice Meares.

## Report of Quartet No. 3

We indeed had a splendid and enjoyable trip to Missouri for the Christmas holidays. Brother Milligan certainly gave us a hearty welcome and we felt quite at home during our stay. You will never find more hospitable folks anywhere than those in Missouri.

We were in good revival services each night, preaching, singing and endeavoring to prove a blessing to some one. Large crowds packed the church each night and they seemed to enjoy each service. We met several prospective students for B. T. S. next year. We secured six subscriptions for the new Evangel and sold several copies.

While there we visited the lead mine which is 408 feet deep, and while under the ground we sang several quartets for the miners. There are many other interesting features of this trip that space will not permit me to tell. The quartet sang at many other places while there. We wish we could have stayed longer but we had to return as our midterm exams started the following week. Brother Milligan wanted us to stay longer. In fact, he said he didn't care if we stayed until Jesus comes. Well I wish we could have too. We hope you'll remember us and pray for the school.—Yours for Christ, Carl G. Carder.

## Things Worth Knowing

Q. What was the Apostles' Creed? Is it still in use?

The Apostles' Creed was a formula representing the faith of the Apostles themselves (but not written by the Apostles). Its enlarged form is still in use by Protestants as well as Catholics.

Q. What happens to the beast and false prophets at the end of the tribulation?

They are cast alive into the lake of fire. Rev. 19:20.

Q. When is a man born of God?

When he is saved. 1 John 5:1; St. John 1:11-14; 1 Cor. 3:1-4.

Q. What are the twelve tribes of Israel?

They are Manasseh, Gad, Reuben, Dan, Benjamin, Judah, Simeon, Ephraim, Naphtali, Zebulun, Isachar, and Asher.

Q. What are the methods of nominations, and do they require a second?

There are nominations from the floor, nominations by committees, and by ballot. Nominations do not require a second. (Hall and Sturgis).

Q. Who was the father of modern missions?

William Carey.

## OUR PATTERN

"For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps," 1 Peter 2:21.

"He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked," 1 John 2:6.

Isn't it wonderful to think of our Christ and how humble He was; to think of His willingness to suffer and even die for the good of others? Then remember how weak some of us are; how we fail in serving or helping others! We ought to walk even as Jesus walked. People that we meet and with whom we commune daily, why do they not feel condemned of their evil ways while in our presence? I believe we need the mind of Jesus; to be willing to live a life of more self-denial. I want to try to make my life a blessing to the world rather than a hindrance to the cause of Christ. We use patterns to work with, why not live by one—Jesus? Let us seek diligently His will in preference to ours.

Remember to pray for me.— Grace Keen, Abita Springs, La.

## Bible School Echoes Continued

### OBEDIENCE

"Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered," Heb. 5:8.

Obedience is necessary to be a perfect Christian. In the scripture above we find that even the Son of God learned obedience. The result of His obedience is that He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him.

Obedience is the act or fact of obeying, compliance with that which is required by authority. Then if obedience is obeying or complying with the requirements of authority, it is necessary to obey the Bible and those who have the rule over you. It is important that we give ear to, heed and comply with the orders. To obey does not mean to hear alone. To obey is to hear, listen to the commands or entreaties, and then act as it is required. To be obedient is to be attentive, yielding, submissive and dutiful.

Jesus Christ was perfectly obedient to our heavenly Father. He was yielding; He was submissive; He was dutiful. His yielding and submissiveness to God is beautifully exemplified in Luke 22:42. Jesus, in the most trying hours of His life, was submissive. Oh! that yielding spirit, the spirit of obedience when He cried, "Nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done."

Jesus the Son of God was obedient to the rulers of the land. It was required that they pay tribute and Jesus sent Simon to pay the tribute. Then if Jesus the Son of God, the author of our salvation, was obedient, how much more is it necessary for us to be obedient. The Bible teaches that it is necessary to obey. Gen. 27:8, "Therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command thee." In Deut. 11:27 we find a blessing is pronounced upon those who obey God's command. Unless we obey it is impossible to enjoy God's blessings, His favor, or this wonderful salvation. Our salvation depends on obedience. Paul told the jailer, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved." If the jailer had not obeyed he could not have been saved. Jesus anointed the blind man's eyes and told him to go wash in the pool of Siloam. If the man had refused to obey Jesus he would have remained blind.

Our justification depends on obedience. 1 John 1:7, "If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." If we fail to walk in the light we are failing to obey. Then if we are not obeying, our justification ceases. If we are obeying, then we are walking in the light. Obedience brings justification.

To be obedient we must carefully listen to God's voice. Be attentive to the Word of God. After you have heard God's voice and carefully read God's Word, then be submissive and yield yourself

unto God's will that He may use you for His honor and glory. Fulfill your duty to God.

Eph. 6:1 teaches us that children should obey their parents. We are as children. God is our Father, so we need to obey Him. Rom. 13:1, 2, "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God." In this scripture we are taught to obey the magistrates, and that to disobey them we disobey the ordinance of God. The laws of our country are to be obeyed. Not only to our parents, to God, and to the laws of our country are we to be obedient, but to our pastors also. Our eternal joy, peace and happiness lays in obedience. How careful we should be; what earnest heed we should give the Word of God; how carefully we should heed the voice of the Holy Spirit and seek the divine approval of God. Remember that "To obey is better than sacrifice."—James A. Cross.

### INDWELLING

What is the result or evidence of God dwelling in us and us dwelling in God? We will give but a few scriptures, reminding our readers that the Greek word "meno" is translated into eight different words: viz, abide, continue, remain, tarry, be present, endure, stand and dwell.

The following are a few of the results or evidences: Feeding upon Christ as recorded in St. John 6:55, "He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in Him," that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith, that vital substance and evidence of things not yet seen! Keeping His commandments is evidence that we dwell in Him, and He in us. Dwelling also in love is evidence for God is love. "He that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him." Abiding in the light because we love our brother is another evidence. Christ came as a light into the world that whosoever believeth on Him should not abide in darkness. An evidence of abiding in Christ, the True Vine, is bearing much fruit, loving one another for that is the measure we have heard from the beginning. The Word of God also abideth in them that are His and He that doeth the will of God abideth forever. Continuing in His Word makes us dwell in Him and He in us. Christ within you is the hope of glory. We are also to continue in Christ's love.

"These things have I (Christ) spoken unto you that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full." Let us also remember, "He that saith he abideth in Him ought himself also to walk, even as He walked." Last but not least, one of the greatest evidences is that the child of God continues in His Word or the things he has learned, walking in the light as it is shed upon his pathway, then truly as a result or evidence we will be dwelling in God and

God in us.

May our dear Lord help all who love Him, including, of course, each precious Bible student here preparing himself for the field of service, to live lives consecrated unreservedly to the one True Lover of our souls. The results will be that poor, wretched, lost souls shall be gloriously born into the kingdom of God.—Yours in Christian fellowship and for lost souls, Marvin Mortensen, Ryder, N. Dak.

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### HE IS MY HELP IN TIME OF NEED

Dear readers of the Evangel and saints in Jesus' name. I am praising God today for the victory in my soul that keeps me day by day. I am truly glad that I am living in the last days so I can enjoy the sweet Holy Ghost and the keeping power, something that the world can't give or take, praise the Lord! Surely we are the happiest people in the world. It makes me want to tell lost souls about Jesus.

I don't live close to a holiness church but I am doing my best for the Lord. When I moved here six months ago there wasn't even a prayer meeting but I have prayer meeting twice a week now. I am having a battle but praise the Lord He is my help in time of need. When I get discouraged I go to St. John 14:13 and then I go to God in prayer. I know Jesus will do just what He said He would do. Since I came to this place one has received the Holy Ghost and wants to be added to the Church of God.

I have been praying so hard for a revival at this place and I know God will send some one. I feel a deep call to work for my Lord. I can hardly stay at home, I go and pray for the sick and talk to the lost souls about Jesus. Pray for me and pray that God will send some one here to help me for the battle surely is hard and the devil is stirred.—Your sister in Christ, Cora Bailey, Maben, W. V.

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## REQUESTS

I want all who read this to pray for the lost souls around this place that they will come to Jesus before it is too late. Pray for me that I will be what He would have me to be and never turn back.—Your sister in Christ, Miss Nellie Guinn, Pikeville, Ala.

Dear saints, please pray for my father and mother who are out in sin that they will come to God before it is too late. Pray for me that I will stand true to God and be ready to go when He comes or calls.—Miss Rhoda Guinn, Scottsboro, Ala.

Dear saints, please pray a special prayer for Sister Dodson who is on the bed of affliction and please remember my family in your prayers.—A sister under the blood, Mrs. M. E. Carter, Ravia, Okla., Box 133.

I praise God for the good things He hath done for me. He surely has blessed me and my home. I have been blessed with the Holy Ghost and daddy, mother, sister and brother have been sanctified and two of my sisters saved. Pray for us that we will all be blessed and hold out faithful and grow stronger in the Lord and be on fire for God.—A sister in Christ, Miss Cara Passmore, Tuckasegee, N. C.

Please pray for me that I will be a true child of God and get the sweet Holy Ghost for you all know I need it.—A hungry sister, Miss India Passmore, Tuckasegee, N. C.

Please pray for my son, Lee, who has double pneumonia.—Yours truly, G. C. Dunn, Alabama City, Ala.

We've had the flu for two weeks and have suffered very much. I have had a pain in my side for over a week that has almost caused my death. I am looking to Jesus to heal me. The Lord has healed some of us and some of us He has just touched our bodies, but I am sure He will heal when He sees best. I desire the prayers of all of God's children that God will heal us.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. C. S. Hodges, Wilcox, Fla.

I ask all to pray for a sister here. She is afflicted in her legs and does not have faith enough in God to heal her completely. Also pray for the lost souls at this place. Pray for my brother-in-law that he may see the light on the Church of God.—Miss Annie Guinn, Rt. 1, Scottsboro, Ala.

I ask God's children everywhere to pray for me. I need prayer and I know God will answer. I want prayer for the healing of my body. It is a pleasure to serve God. Oh, I can feel that love. As you read this ask God to touch my body.

—Charles Lee Gibbs, Clairfield, Tenn.

Pray that God will send some true blue Church of God preacher over our way. There is no church here and my husband and I are the only Church of God members. Pray for me as I want to get closer to the Lord.—Your sister in Christ, V. L. Ledford, Rt. 2, Sparta, Tenn.

I want the saints of God everywhere to pray for my sister, Mrs. J. E. Cunningham, who has rose cancer seemingly in its last stage. She believes God is the only hope and wants the prayers of all people who know the worth of prayer.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Mollie F. Story, Rt. 4, Box 85, Valdosta, Ga.

Please pray earnestly that the Lord will heal my throat. It has been sore for over two months. I have suffered much with it.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Fannie Johnson, Holly Ridge, La.

Every one who knows God please pray for my healing. I have been ill for twelve months. God has healed my body several times before. I am sure God can and will heal me again if the prayer of faith is prayed, so please remember me in prayer.—One who loves the Lord, Mrs. Pearl King, Monroe, La.

When I found my blessed Savior He gave me faith to believe He could heal

me of pellagra I had had for nine years and bless His name He has healed me. I feel a little weak sometimes. Pray for me that the Lord will completely heal me. Pray that I'll live humble.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Rhoda Kimphill, Forest, La.

Will every one please pray a special prayer for my husband's healing and for him to be completely delivered from the power of the devil. He is very low with kidney and bladder trouble. We are trusting the Lord but he has become bound and can't pray for the last ten days. He can't speak above a whisper this morning. Also pray that God will give us an old time revival here. This is a new field for the Church of God. Brother and Sister W. H. Largin and Brother and Sister E. E. Watts are here doing their best to preach the gospel to these people. There is no holiness church here of any kind.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Florence Morgan, Hot Springs, N. Mex.

Please pray for my sister's son-in-law that the Lord will save him from the drink habit, also pray for me to be sanctified and healed.—Walter Lindell, Rt. 4, Marcellus, Mich.

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## Missions

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ministry of His friends for whatever He needed for His physical support.

A third and last means that we will mention at this time for the restoring or our lost vision, is the press, including the Church of God Evangel. Through this medium we learn of the terrible famine conditions that are so prevalent just now, also we learn of the terrible Antichrist spirit which is becoming more prominent every day. Again as we peruse the columns of our church paper, we see the slow progress we are making in the mission field, we become acquainted with the sufferings of our missionaries, and we get the reports of the mission funds being sent in and see the smallness of the contributions, and surely these things will stir our hearts as never before.

A word about the Evangel: I note from recent information that only about one fourth of our 1,360 ministers are subscribers to the Evangel. No wonder then that we lose the vision when we neglect the means for its security. Again, how can we be an ensample to the believers when we fail in doing our personal duty? The writer has been a paid-up subscriber to the Evangel since the first issue was published, and I am insisting that the members of the church that I pastor, follow my example.

Many more good thoughts could be said on this subject, but I feel that this should suffice for this time. Come on, brother ministers, and let's put the Evangel and the mission fund over the top.

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## The Whole Armour of God

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in the ministry. God wants the Church to win out over the devil, and made arrangements for its victory, and it is our fault if we do not have success. A foreman would never send a man to work without tools, nor did God call you to preach or work in His vineyard without arranging for your success through His gifts and graces, but you wanted to idle around. The place where the armour is put on is the secret chamber of prayer; but men or women who spend their time visiting their good-paying members and out car riding and engaged in light chaffy conversation, will never wear the armour. They will never be more than a mere preacher. You have wondered why God did not answer your prayer, why God does not use you mightily. The fact is that you are not equipped for service. God dares not trust you far away. Instead of you being able to wage an aggressive offensive against the devil, God has had to hold His hand over you all the time to keep you from going down in defeat.

### EMPHASIS

The apostle starts out telling us to put on the whole armour of God that we might be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. V. 11. Then after defying our enemies' ranks, he emphasizes by saying, "Wherefore," because of these evil powers, "take unto you" the whole armour of God." Take comes from the Greek "analambano," meaning to take up, to take into one's hands. He pictures the armour as laying at your feet, and he bids you pick it up and put it on. It was not your idea that you had to stoop down to put on the armour of God; you thought it was by climbing up. Some of you tried to climb up after it. Never mind that, you humble yourself under the mighty hand of God and He will lift up. It is humility we need most; this comes by putting on your sackcloth of prayer and fasting.

The law of God demands that whosoever humbleth himself shall be exalted, and he who exalteth himself shall be abased. We ordinarily start climbing up toward God, but as I pointed out sometime ago, when God laid the foundation of the universe it was by a casting down. Christ first descended, He later ascended. Humiliation and then exaltation, and should you be exalted without humiliation a fall is ever imminent.

### VICTORY

Turning to Col. 2:15 we find that, Christ hath spoiled those principalities and powers mentioned in Eph. 6:12. Though not as yet cast down, they are nevertheless spoiled; Christ has led "captivity captive." Eph. 4:8. He has now ascended "that he might fill all things." Let us therefore come unto Him for His victorious filling.

### EVIL DAY

The apostle in verse thirteen calls this an "evil day," and to this we might add

John 5: 19, where he says the "whole world lieth in the wicked one;" also Gal. 1:4, where Paul speaks of the "present evil age." During such a time as this the apostle exhorts, as a means of safety and being able to stand, that we take unto ourselves "the whole armour of God." With the armour of God we are able "to withstand," but when Satan catches the child of God unarmed and unequipped, he always launches his attack.

### FAITH

He adds as part of this equipment, "Above all, taking the shield of faith." It is more important than anything else or all his armour. By faith we plead with God: equally so we apply the use of the power He has imparted. The apostle is here speaking as though modern warfare was in exhibition; he pictures the saint of God fighting behind the "shield of faith" as a soldier fighting behind his shield. But sometimes Satan overrides your shield and gets in behind it and then you have your "wrestle." Perhaps this is the result of lack of prayer, or being at leisure in your work.

## DEATHS

### DRWER

Our home is very lonely now. On Sunday, Dec. 18, 1932 at 11:42 a. m. the death angel visited our home and took our little girl, Lucy Thelma. She was two years and ten months old. Lucy was the sunshine of the home. She was a quiet child and wore a smile for everyone. She was sick about three weeks. She wanted the saints to pray for her. We called them twice and they prayed for her but the dear Lord took her anyway. He knew what was best, bless His name! Oh, how we miss her, but we know she is at rest. I shall see her some day by the help of the Lord. I want all the saints to pray that I may be a faithful soldier for Jesus until He calls me home. Pray for my husband who has backslidden that he may be saved before it is too late.—Your sister under the blood, Mrs. Robert Drwer, Rt. 6, % J. R. Green, McMinnville, Tenn.

### WILLDER

In sweet memory of my cousin Lester Willder who passed away Sunday, Dec. 11, 1932, at Dr. Walker's Hospital in Cairo, Ga. He was born near Pelham, Ga., Oct. 14, 1909, age twenty-three years, one month and twenty-seven days. His death was a shock to all. Let me say to the bereaved, Our loss is heaven's gain and let us not sorrow as others who have no hope for I believe when Jesus comes our dear one will come with Him and we shall never say good-bye. He left such a sweet testimony. Lester was a good boy and faithful friend and was loved by all. He leaves to mourn his death his precious wife, loving father, mother, sister and a host of other relatives and friends. The

funeral was held at Mizpah church near where he had lived all his life, and his body was laid to rest in Mizpah cemetery to await the resurrection. Evangel readers, remember the bereaved in your prayers.—His cousin, Mrs. J. C. Sellers, Rt. 1, Box 14, Dade City, Fla.

### HILL

The death angel visited the home of Brother Lucious C. Hill on Oct. 21, 1932 and claimed his devoted wife, Maggie P. Hill. She was confined to her home for about one year and seven months. Knowing that this earthly house would some day dissolve she made preparations for a mansion not made with hands, but eternal in the heavens. She left all to follow Jesus taking Him for her Keeper, her Doctor and her soon coming King. She was a faithful mother and a member of the Church of God, 1632 Federal St., Philadelphia, Pa. We realize she is gone where pain and sorrow are felt no more. She leaves to mourn their loss her faithful husband, three sons, one daughter, three daughters-in-law, and a host of friends. She is sadly missed by all. The remains were laid to rest in the Eden Cemetery.—By Mamie Peterson.

### FARRELL

On Dec. 17, 1932 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arp Farrell and took with him back to heaven their baby, Callie, age three years. Callie was a lovable child and her many steps and smiles will be missed. She was only a little bud on earth to bloom in heaven. She leaves behind to mourn her going her father, mother, two sisters and four grandparents. We know that God does all things well and we know if we will only be true to Jesus it won't be long before we will get to go and be with Jesus and all of our loved ones. To her parents I say, only look up.—Written by a sister in Jesus, Mrs. J. W. Mayfield, Brownfield, Tex.

### WILLIAMS

On Nov. 26, 1932 the death angel came and claimed as its victim Sister Mary Ann Williams, age seventy-nine years. She became a member of the Church of God in 1922 and lived a faithful member. She became feeble in 1931 and could not attend services any more but she was patient. She leaves to mourn her departure two sons, one daughter, three daughters-in-law, grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.—One who loved her, her pastor, C. T. King, Mt. Providence, Chapelton, Jam., B.W.I.

### VANDERGRIFT

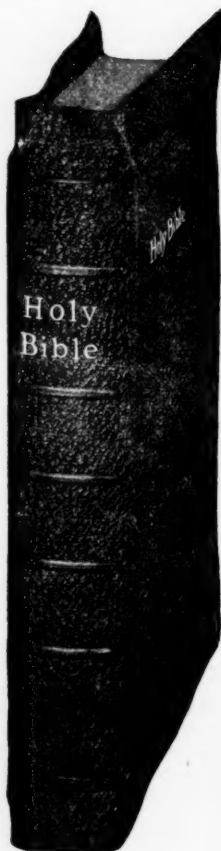
On September 21, 1932 our beloved wife and mother departed this life to be with Jesus. She left this world speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. She was a true wife and faithful mother. Her funeral was conducted by Brother Sam Holcomb at Evarts, Ky. He was our pastor. Pray for us. May God bless and help you all.—Yours in the Lord, Dock Vandergriff and family, Besoco, W. Va.

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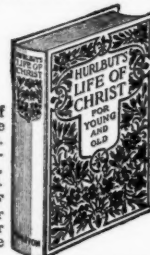
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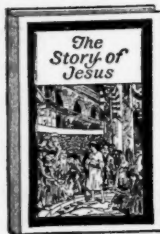
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